

Turkey Run Nature Center Activities

Sunday, June 1

Nature Center OPEN 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. EDT

10am Help Feed The Birds – Come to the nature center to put out seed, suet & nectar, & then watch the animals eat and interact through the windows of the observation room.

11am Lusk Home Tour – Gather in the Lusk Home basement for a guided 1-hour tour of an 1841 brick mansion. Hear the legends, meet the people & enjoy a peek into the private lives of the Salmon Lusk family. Warning: lots of standing and stairs. Cellar doors open at 10:45 a.m.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – Discover the joy of stargazing during a 40-minute tour of tonight's skies. Constellations, legends, planets and more! *Reservations recommended.* Nature Center.

Monday, June 2

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2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.
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Tuesday, June 3

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Wednesday, June 4

Nature Center OPEN 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EDT

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11am Lusk Home Tour – See previous listing.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.
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Thursday, June 5

Nature Center OPEN 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. EDT

9:30am Help Feed The Birds – See previous listing.

10:30am Cold-blooded, Not Heartless – Meet at the Nature Center for a hands-on look at snakes and frogs or toads. 40-minute program. Nature Center.

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5-7pm Naturalist In The Campground – Watch for the naturalist to see what cool thing she has in her bucket.

National Trails Day

Saturday, June 7

Nature Center OPEN 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. EDT

9:30am Help Feed The Birds – See previous listing.

***10am-3pm Scavenger Hunt** – Pick up a scavenger hunt sheet, complete it as you hike today, and then turn it in at the nature center by 3 pm to get prizes.

11am Lusk Home Tour – See previous listing.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.
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9:30pm Stars Inside and Out – Enjoy a preview of the night sky in the nature center planetarium, then if it's not cloudy a naturalist will show you around the real night sky. If it's overcast, we'll make a star clock that really works. 1 hour.

Sunday, June 8

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9:30am Help Feed The Birds – Nature Center.

***10:30am Trail 2 Trek** – Hike one of our most ruggedly beautiful trails with a naturalist. Meet at the Nature Center for this rugged 1.5 hour trek.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.
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Tuesday, June 10

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2pm Planetarium Star Show– See previous listing. *Reservations recommended.* Nature Center.

Wednesday, June 11

Nature Center OPEN 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EDT

9:30am Help Feed The Birds – See previous listing.

All Day: Nature Video Day! – Select a video or DVD from our extensive list and our nature center volunteers will play it for you on the big screen.

Thursday, June 12

Nature Center OPEN 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. EDT

9:30am Help Feed The Birds – See previous listing.

10:30am Coyote Calls – Gather in the nature center to meet this noisy wild dog and learn its language. 40-minute program and howl.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing. *Reservations recommended.* Nature Center.

Friday, June 13

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***Healthy Parks–Healthy People: Get “INShape” with us, or discover how to keep a state park or reservoir healthy.**

Saturday, June 14

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9:30am Help Feed The Birds – Come to the nature center to put out seed, suet & nectar, & then watch the animals eat and interact through the windows of the observation room.

10:30am Let's Get Nutty – Discover how nuts rule the animals of the forest, and then make a nutty game to take home. 40 minutes. Nature center.

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8pm How To Find Wild Animals – The way an animal is made will help you know where to look for it in the wild. Become better naturalists during this 1-hour program at the nature center.

Sunday, June 15

Nature Center OPEN 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. EDT

9:30am Help Feed The Birds – See previous listing.

***10:30am Bubbles** – Discover how cheap & easy it is to make your own giant bubbles at home. 45 min. Nature Center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing. *Reservations recommended.* Nature Center.

Monday, June 16

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Tuesday, June 17

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9:30am Help Feed The Birds – See previous listing.

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Wednesday, June 18

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11am Lusk Home Tour – See previous listing.

2pm Planetarium Star Show - See previous listing. *Reservations recommended.* Nature Center.

Thursday, June 19

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9:30am Help Feed The Birds – Come to the nature center to put out seed, suet & nectar, & then watch the animals eat and interact through the windows of the observation room.

10:30am Soda Straw Weaving – Come to the Nature Center to try this ancient technique of weaving. 30 minutes.

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7pm Volunteers In Parks – Gather in the Dogwood Room at the INN to attend the monthly meeting of The Friends of Turkey Run and Shades State Parks. Each meeting starts with an interesting program. Then stick around to see what our hard working volunteers are up to these days. If you'd like to volunteer at the parks this is a good way to get started, & a great way to make some new like-minded friends!

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***9pm Calling All Owls** – Meet at the Nature Center to meet the 3 most common owls in Indiana, and then go out into the night to try and call one in. 1-hour program and easy hike.

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***11am Enormous Bubbles!** – Meet in front of the Nature Center to make huge car-sized bubbles from stuff around the house! 45 minutes.

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Thursday, June 26

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9:30am Help Feed The Birds – See previous listing.

***10:30am Turkey Run Rocks** – Take a hike with a naturalist to explore the rocks of Turkey Run. This 1-hour moderate hike ends with a fossil hunt! Nature Center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

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Festival Of Birds

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***8am Bird Hike** – Take a hike with Indiana-renowned birder Alan Bruner to learn how to identify birds by sight and by sound, or just to enjoy watching a pro do it! 1.5 hour easy walk. Meet on the nature center front porch.

9:30am Help Feed The Birds – See previous listing.

***10:30am-1pm Act Like A Bird!** – Join us near the nature center to make crafts, play games, win prizes & discover all kinds of amazing things about birds.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – Meet Aquila The Eagle during a 40-minute tour of the night sky. *Reservations recommended.* Nature Center.

8pm Live Birds of Prey – Enjoy the live raptors of Mark Booth as he introduces you to some commonly found in Indiana. Weather permitting, Mark plans to fly a live hawk over the audience. Don't miss this amazing performance sponsored by The Friends of Turkey Run & Shades State Parks. Bring lawn chairs and blankets to the INN LAWN.

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